



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
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Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, Treasurer  
The Madison Project Inc.  
P.O. Box 176  
Lincoln, VA 20160

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Reference: Amended Mid-Year Report (1/1/01-6/30/01), received 6/17/02 and  
Amended Year End Report (7/1/01-12/31/01), received 6/17/02

Dear Mrs. Smith:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Your report discloses a transfer(s) for "Overhead Expenses" to the Madison Project State Account which appears to be a non-federal account of your committee. Please be advised, committees that make disbursements in connection with federal and non-federal elections and have established separate federal and non-federal accounts must allocate their expenses pursuant to 11 CFR §§106.5 and 106.6.

Further, 11 CFR §§106.5 and 106.6 prohibits a committee's federal account from reimbursing its non-federal account for shared allocable expenses. Also, the non-federal account is prohibited from paying the federal account's share of these expenses. These types of shared costs must be paid according to the allocation ratio derived from the appropriate method on Schedule H1.

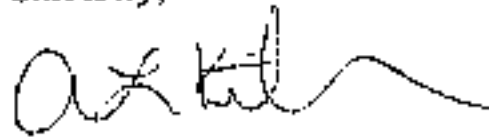
If the transfer(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. If your non-federal account has paid any expenditures which should have been allocated, you are advised to correct any non-compliance with 11 CFR §106.5 and 106.6 and establish procedures to insure future compliance with

allocation regulations.

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding this improper allocation activity, your prompt action will be taken into consideration.

A response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designation and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



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